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Media Advisory

SAPD Holds News Conference in Missing Baby Gabriel Case

On Tuesday, February 9th, San Antonio Police Chief William McManus held a news conference to discuss the latest developments in the case of missing baby, Gabriel Johnson. Below are the points he discussed:

- 8-month-old Baby Gabriel has been missing since December 26th when he was last seen here in San Antonio.
- In cooperation with the Tempe Police Department and the local FBI office, the San Antonio Police Department opened a missing person's investigation into the disappearance of Gabriel (1-9-10).
- We remain hopeful that baby Gabriel is alive.
- We are conducting both a missing person's investigation, as well as a homicide investigation.
- Homicide investigators believe that aspects surrounding the disappearance of baby Gabriel involve elements of a possible homicide.
- During the course of the investigation, we have received and followed up on several leads.
- One of those leads has led us to this landfill (Tessman Road Landfill).
- Landfill personnel have pinpointed an exact location where the search will begin.
- Today, we have begun the excavation process.
- This operation will be two-fold:
 - Phase I – we will begin by removing 45 feet of debris. This excavation process will take a MINIMUM of 6 days to accomplish.
 - Phase II – the "search operation" begins. Once we have removed debris and have reached our target area, we will begin the arduous task of sifting through layers in search of possible evidence.
- This phase will be a long and repetitive cycle.
- Search teams will be looking for anything of evidentiary value.
- Debris will be thoroughly examined by search teams as well as cadaver dogs.
- Debris with no evidentiary value will be disposed of.
- Tentative hours for this operation will be 7:30 am to 6 pm, Monday through Friday.
- As the need arises, information will be disseminated.
- We continue to urge anyone with information on this case, to call 1-800-THE-LOST (843-5678).

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